

CLAIMS

1) A sealed package (1) for pourable food products, having at least one removable portion (4), and a closable opening device (2) in turn comprising a frame (5) defining a pour opening (6) and fixed to said package (1) about said removable portion (4), a cap (7) fitted to said frame (5) to close said pour opening (6) and movable to free the pour opening (6), and pull-off opening means (8) housed in said frame (5) and comprising a rigid plate (9) integral with said removable portion (4) and extractable from the frame (5), by pulling action, together with at least part of said removable portion (4); characterized by also comprising a pull-tab (16) of sheet material interposed between said removable portion (4) and said plate (9) and attached to both.

2) A package as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that said pull-tab (16) comprises a main portion (19) attached to said removable portion (4); and an end portion (20) folded over said main portion (19) and attached to said plate (9).

3) A package as claimed in Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that said plate (9) is connected integrally to said frame (5) by breakable connecting means (23) defining a parting direction in which said plate (9) is parted from the frame (5), and which is parallel to an opening direction (B) of said pull-tab

(16).

4) A package as claimed in any one of the foregoing Claims, characterized in that said plate (9) comprises a base portion (21) attached to said pull-tab (16); and a
5 grip portion (22) projecting from said base portion (21) and accessible through said frame (5) when said cap (7) is removed from said pour opening (6).

5) A package as claimed in Claim 4, characterized in that said breakable connecting means comprise two
10 parallel breakable strips of material (23) connecting opposite sides of said base portion (21) of said plate (9) to mutually facing portions (24) of said frame (5).

6) A package as claimed in Claim 4 or 5, characterized in that said grip portion (22) is
15 substantially ring-shaped, projects from one end of said base portion (21), and is bent over the base portion (21).

7) A package as claimed in any one of the foregoing Claims, characterized in that said removable portion (4)
20 comprises a patch (17) of thermoplastic material applied to the inside of said package (1) to close a through hole (18) in the package.